



Sustainable Arlington
An Environment Committee of Envision Arlington
Agenda

Date: Thursday, May 6, 2021
Time: 7:30 – 9:00 pm
Location: Virtual Meeting by Zoom

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1. Confirm first and last name of everyone on the call for the minutes and make sure that everyone can hear each other
2. Read Preamble to Remote Meetings
3. Introduce all members, staff, and persons on the agenda
4. Review “ground rules” for online meetings
5. Meeting materials will be available online through Novus or Town website for the public

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1. Introductions
2. Update from Planning Dept.
3. March minutes. read here: <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1L5H-xUORi2MB0pQ-BSjZEXmaj6KYQI877uRu44DICm4/edit>
4. Call for volunteers. EcoWeek video contest [EcoWeek Video Contest](#) and other [EcoWeek events](#)
5. Focus areas per last meeting - who can take the lead and what are the next steps?

- a. Arlington's Net Zero Action Plan – collaborate with the Net Zero Action Plan Implementation Working Group. . Press Release. Net Zero Action Plan.
- b. Transition off fossil fuels – outreach re: why, when, how
- c. Local ecosystem(s) support in Arlington:
 - i. Water quality
 - ii. Soil health
 - iii. Native plant and wildlife systems
- d. Environmental Justice
 - i. How does environmental justice apply in Arlington, in nearby communities, and across Massachusetts? What does it mean to be an ally? (see resources below)
6. Warrant Article 38 endorsement, (Energy Efficient Homes on Nonconforming Lots), if Town Meeting has not voted on it by the end of the evening, Wed., May 5.
7. Announcements
8. Adjourn

Resources:

- **Environmental Justice, mass.gov**
- All people have a right to be protected from environmental pollution and to live in and enjoy a clean and healthful environment.
- **Environmental Justice Populations in Massachusetts mass.gov**
- Environmental Justice (EJ) Population Data from 2010 Census based upon demographic criteria developed by the Massachusetts Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs.
- [map] 2010 Environmental Justice Populations Boston Metro
- See: publications and presentations on environmental justice by Prof. Marcos Luna, Salem State University

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